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8 UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
9 NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA  
10 SAN FRANCISCO DIVISION

11 In re:

12 HOWREY LLP,

13 Debtor.  
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CASE NO.: 11-31376

Chapter 11

[NO HEARING REQUIRED]

15 **APPLICATION OF FELDERSTEIN FITZGERALD WILLOUGHBY & PASCUZZI**  
16 **LLP TO APPROVE WITHDRAWAL AS BANKRUPTCY COUNSEL TO OFFICIAL**  
**COMMITTEE OF UNSECURED CREDITORS**

17 Felderstein Fitzgerald Willoughby & Pascuzzi LLP (“FFWP”) as bankruptcy counsel for  
18 the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors in the Howrey, LLP Chapter 11 case (the  
19 “Committee”), respectfully requests that the Court approve the withdrawal of FFWP as  
20 bankruptcy counsel to the Committee effective upon the Committee’s selection of replacement  
21 bankruptcy counsel (the “Application”), and in support of this application respectfully represents:

22 1. FFWP has requested that the Committee approve its withdrawal as bankruptcy  
23 counsel for the Committee;

24 2. The Committee has knowingly and freely assented to termination of the  
25 employment of FFWP;

26 3. A client’s knowing and free assent to termination of the employment constitutes  
27 grounds for withdrawal of counsel pursuant to California Rule of Professional Conduct 3-  
28 700(C)(5); and

1           4.       Should the court require additional information in support of this application,  
2 FFWP will provide additional information.

3           WHEREFORE, based upon the foregoing, the Committee requests that the Court enter an  
4 order authorizing:

5           1.       FFWP's withdrawal effective upon selection of replacement bankruptcy counsel,  
6 and

7           2.       For such other relief as is just and appropriate in the circumstances of this case.

8 Dated: October 3, 2011

FELDERSTEIN FITZGERALD  
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By /s/ Thomas A. Willoughby  
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